



America's veterans honored at memorial park, VA hospital

Photos by Dennis Carlson

LEFT—The Bag Pipe Lament is played by retired Army Col. Craig Chamberlain, for the thousands of veterans, family, and friends who attended the Veterans Day Ceremony Monday at the New Mexico Veterans Memorial.



LEFT and BELOW—Remembering those who did not return, a cannon salvo is provided by the Artillery Company of New Mexico, while taps is played by bugler John Denslow, a member of American Legion Post #13.



LEFT—Congresswoman Heather Wilson comforts Guette Kutzin, widow of Pfc. George Kutzin who served with the 99th Infantry Battalion in World War II. Awards presented to him at Monday's ceremony included the Bronze Star, European, African, and Middle East campaign ribbons, and World War II Victory Freedom Medal. Assisting with medal presentations was Army Sgt. Maj. Walter Wilkinson, National Assessment Group.

ABOVE—American Legion Post 49 provided the rifle salute.



Flyover honors were provided by a formation of F-16s from the Air National Guard's 150th Fighter Wing.

BELOW—Airman 1st Class Eric Hanson, 58th Operations Support Squadron, meets veteran Robert Reed in the Albuquerque Veterans Affairs Medical Center.



BELOW—The Torrance County Sheriff's mounted patrol leads historic military vehicles in a Veterans Day parade through the Avenue of Flags at the Albuquerque Veterans Affairs Medical Center. The New Mexico Vehicle Preservation Association's vehicles participated in the parade and were then on display at the Veterans Day Ceremony.

